

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT J. GARVEY,
NATIONAL SHERIFF OF THE YEAR

HON. JOHN W. OLVER

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 10, 2002

Mr. OLVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my good friend Robert J. Garvey, Sheriff of Hampshire County, Massachusetts, who is being honored this year by the National Sheriffs' Association as the "Sheriff of the Year."

The National Sheriffs' Association established the Ferris E. Lucas award in 1995 to recognize an outstanding sheriff each year for superior efforts made to improve the office of sheriff on local, state and national levels, and for involvement in one's community above and beyond the responsibilities required by the job. For his outstanding service and exemplary contributions to the profession, Sheriff Garvey will be presented with this award in June at the Association's national conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

When you look at Bob Garvey's remarkable career, it is clear that this recognition is well deserved.

After his appointment to fill the unexpired term of the late Sheriff John F. Boyle, Sheriff Garvey was elected to serve the citizens of Hampshire County in 1986, 1992 and 1998. He is a past President of the Massachusetts Sheriffs' Association (MSA), State Director to the National Sheriffs' Association, and Chairman of the MSA Education and Training Committee.

Sheriff Garvey operates the Hampshire County Jail and House of Corrections, which in 1990 was the first in Massachusetts to be accredited by the American Correctional Association. At the time, the facility was called a 'showcase-institution' by an Association spokesperson. The jail has subsequently been re-accredited every three years. This is a great accomplishment and a testament to Bob's organizational and leadership abilities.

Sheriff Garvey also spearheaded the development of the TRIAD program in Massachusetts, in particular in Hampshire and Franklin Counties. TRIAD is a crime prevention program focused on addressing the safety and consumer protection needs of seniors. Along with Sheriff Macdonald of Franklin County, District Attorney Scheibel and local police departments, Sheriff Garvey and his deputies work with seniors and protective service agencies to reduce the vulnerability of older citizens to crime. This successful local program led to Sheriff Garvey's being named Chairman of the Board of Directors of the National TRIAD Corporation.

Once again, I am pleased to have the opportunity to commend Bob Garvey on this high honor from the National Sheriff's Association. We should all aspire to his level of professional and civic dedication.

IN HONOR OF PEGGY WAYBURN

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 10, 2002

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay a final tribute to one of the true heroes of the

environmental movement. Peggy Wayburn passed away recently in San Francisco after a lifetime of environmental activism that saved ecosystems, changed maps, and enriched our lives. A kind, vibrant woman whom I was proud to know, Peggy's work will benefit our country forever, but she will be sorely missed.

Having graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Barnard College in 1942, Peggy Cornelia Elliot moved to San Francisco where she met and married Dr. Edgar Wayburn. Peggy and Edgar created a bond that changed the course of land conservation forever. In Peggy's eighty-five years, she and her husband successfully helped preserve millions of acres. We are so thankful for the efforts that brought us the Redwood National Park, the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, the greenbelt from the Point Reyes Seashore to Sweeney Ridge along the Pacific Coast, and the expansion of Mount Tamalpais State Park.

Peggy had a national impact as well. When Peggy and Edgar visited Alaska nearly 30 years ago, they were captivated by the beauty of the landscape and dedicated themselves to preserving its majestic vistas, lofty mountains, and free rivers. The national campaign that resulted from that visit, and the hundreds of visits that followed, led to the passage of the Alaska Lands Act, the largest public lands bill in the history of Congress. One of Peggy's five books, *Alaska: the Great Land*, is credited with eliciting national support for the bill.

Peggy Wayburn published four other books through the Sierra Club, all of which built awareness of the beauty of and need for preserving land. *The Edge of Life* offers a comprehensive view of the Bolinas Lagoon; the Lagoon later became a National Natural Landmark. *Adventuring in the San Francisco Bay Area* is a wonderful guide for residents and visitors for enjoying the land we are blessed with.

Peggy served as a trustee of the Sierra Club Foundation, a board member of Audubon Canyon Ranch, director of the Point Reyes Seashore Foundation, and helped found People for Open Space.

I am proud to join my constituents in thanking and praising Peggy Wayburn for her dedication to the forests of California and the wilderness of this nation. Peggy and Edgar Wayburn brought great leadership and commitment to our nation's conservation policy. They are stars in the constellation of environmental pioneers who have inspired us and given future generations a lasting natural heritage.

To Dr. Wayburn and the Wayburn family, Diana, Laurie, Cynthia and William, we share your loss, and we are grateful for every day Peggy had with us.

TAIWAN RELATIONS ACT

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 10, 2002

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 23rd anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act. This vital piece of legislation serves as the basis of America's strong relationship with the country and people of Taiwan.

The Taiwan Relations Act was signed into law on April 10, 1979. The passage of this act

codified the mutually beneficial political, commercial, and cultural ties shared by our two nations.

Over the past 23 years we have witnessed the transformation of our Asian ally flourish into a multiparty, pluralistic democratic government respectful of its citizens' political and human rights. Taiwan stands as a model nation to its neighbors.

I wish to also recognize and thank Taiwan for its support and assistance immediately following the tragic events of September 11.

On this anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act, I feel certain that the strong relationship between our two nations will continue for many more decades to come.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING VIOLENCE AND TERRORIST ATTACKS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 10, 2002

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I come to the floor today to introduce a House resolution condemning violence and terrorist attacks in the Israel and the Palestinian Territories. As I come to the floor today, it is with a heavy heart for the families of the more than 400 Israelis and 1,200 Palestinians who have lost their lives over the past year to continuing violence in the Middle East. I also come to call attention to those who will undoubtedly lose their lives to future acts of violence if the United States fails to intervene today.

In the past year, more than 1,500 people have had their right to live stripped from them as a result of unending violence in the Middle East. Since January 22, Israel has fallen victim to more than 35 suicide attacks, or more than an attack every day for the past 9 weeks. Just last week, 43 innocent Israelis were murdered in multiple suicide bombings, while another 125 were wounded. Moreover, more than 1,100 Palestinians have been killed since violence erupted less than one year ago. As violence in Israel continues, the total number of Israeli and Palestinian deaths and casualties continue to increase every day.

Clearly, the need for immediate U.S. leadership in the region is critical. The President's recent decision to send Secretary of State Colin Powell to the region is obviously a step in the right direction. However, I fear that while Secretary Powell's presence in the region may help in temporarily curbing the violence, a permanent solution to this ongoing conflict is impossible without the President's personal intervention and absolute commitment to the peace process.

The past four Administrations have shown that, when determined, the President can succeed in bringing together Israel and her neighbors. Whether in Egypt or in Jordan, we see the fruit of past Administration's labor in the permanent peace accords that Israel signed with both of these countries in 1978 and 1994, respectively. Subsequently, we see in the Madrid Conference, Oslo Accords, Wye River Memorandum, Sharm el-Sheikh Memorandum, and the Camp David II negotiations, that a historical willingness for peace and coexistence exists among Israelis and the Palestinians.